

Compliance Advisory July 9, 2013 Open Burning Fees

This Advisory is provided to inform you about activities of the Air District which may affect your operation. It will help you achieve and maintain compliance with applicable air pollution regulations.

ATTENTION: PRIVATE LANDOWNERS, PUBLIC FIRE AND LAND

MANAGEMENT AGENCIES, AND AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS INVOLVED WITH OPEN BURNING

SUBJECT: NEW OPEN BURNING OPERATION FEES

On June 19, 2013, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) Board of Directors approved a new fee schedule, Regulation 3, Schedule V, for outdoor fires subject to District Regulation 5: Open Burning.

Effective July 1, 2013, the new open burning fees apply to any person required to:

- Provide notification to the District prior to burning; or
- Submit a petition to conduct a Filmmaking or Public Exhibition Fire; or
- Receive an acreage burning allocation to conduct a Stubble Fire; or
- Submit a smoke management plan and receive an acreage burning allocation to conduct a Wildland Vegetation Management Fire (Prescribed Burn) or Marsh Management Fire.

The new open burning fee schedule is on the reverse side. In addition,

- All fees paid pursuant to Schedule V are non-refundable, and
- All fees required pursuant to Schedule V must be paid prior to burning.

<u>Fee Payment</u> – The Air District will initially accept payment of open burning fees by check, cashier's check, or money order. Customers must follow the procedures below to remit payment:

- Submit a completed notification form, petition, smoke management plan, or a request to receive a Stubble Fire acreage burning allocation to BAAQMD, ATTN: Mail Stop OB2, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 to receive an invoice. A fee payment invoice will be sent either to your mailing address or by facsimile.
- 2. Remit a fee payment for each invoice to BAAQMD, ATTN: Accounting, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109. Be sure to include the invoice number on your check.

An online fee payment option using a major credit card (MasterCard, Visa, American Express, or Discover) debit card, or pre-paid debit card will be available soon.

If you have any further needs, please contact the Air District as indicated below:

- For questions about this Advisory or how to make a request to receive a Stubble Fire acreage burning allocation, contact Douglas Tolar, Senior Air Quality Specialist, at (415) 749-5118.
- For general questions about open burning or to <u>obtain</u> an acreage burning allocation, contact the Open Burning Technician at (415) 749-4600.
- For a copy of this Advisory, see www.baaqmd.gov/advisories.
- For a copy of Regulation 3: Fees and Regulation 5: Open Burning, see: www.baaqmd.gov/rules.
- For a copy of Open Burning notification forms, see www.baaqmd.gov/forms.

Wayne Kino
Director of Compliance and Enforcement

Regulation 3, Schedule V - Effective July 1, 2013

Prior Notification Fee

Regulation 5 Section - Allowable Fire Type	Permissive Burn Periods ² Operation	
401.1 - Disease and Pest	January 1 – December 31	\$98
401.2 - Crop Replacement ¹	October 1 – April 30	\$98
401.3 - Orchard Pruning and Attrition	November 1 – April 30 \$98	
401.4 - Double Cropping Stubble	June 1 – August 31	\$98
401.6 - Hazardous Material ¹	January 1 – December 31	\$98
401.7 - Fire Training	January 1 – December 31	\$98
401.8 - Flood Debris	October 1 – May 31	\$98
401.9 - Irrigation Ditches	January 1 – December 31 \$98	
401.10 - Flood Control	January 1 – December 31 \$98	
401.11 - Range Management ¹	July 1 – April 30 \$98	
401.12 - Forest Management ¹	November 1 – April 30	\$98
401.14 - Contraband	January 1 - December 31	\$98

¹ Any Forest Management Fire, Range Management Fire, or Hazardous Material Fire not related to Public Resources Code 4291, or any Crop Replacement Fire for the purpose of establishing an agricultural crop on previously uncultivated land, that is expected to exceed 10 acres in size or burn piled vegetation cleared or generated from more than 10 acres is defined in Regulation 5, Section 213 as a type of prescribed burning and, as such, is subject to the prescribed burning operation fee in the table below.

Fees for Other Allowable Fire Types

	1 ccs for Other Anovable i no Types			
Regulation 5 Section - Allowable Fire Type	Permissive Burn Period	Proposed Acreage to be Burned	Operation Fee	
401.16 - Wildland Vegetation Management Fires (Prescribed Burning)		≤50 acres	\$425	
	January 1 - December 31	>50 acres but ≤ 150 acres	\$575	
		>150 acres	\$750	
401.13 - Marsh Management Fires (Marsh Burning)		<u><</u> 50 acres	\$350	
	September 1 - October 15 March 1 - April 15	>50 acres but ≤ 150 acres	\$475	
	·	>150 acres	\$600	
	41	<u>≤</u> 25 acres	\$250	
401.5 - Stubble Fires (Stubble Burning)		>25 acres but ≤75 acres	\$350	
	September 1 - December 31	>75 acres but ≤150 acres	\$425	
		>150 acres	\$500	
401.16 - Filmmaking Fires 401.17 - Public Exhibition Fires	January 1 - December 31	Not applicable	\$505	

² The operation fee paid as part of the notification to the District prior to burning will be for each specific *property*, as defined in Regulation 5, Section 217, and will be valid for one year from the fee payment date when a given fire is allowed as specified in Regulation 5, Section 401 for the allowable fire types in the table above.

³ Any person who provided notification under Regulation 5, Section 406, who seeks to burn an amount of material greater than the amount listed in that initial notification, shall provide a subsequent notification to the District under Regulation 5, Section 406 and shall pay an additional prior notification operation fee prior to burning.